

APPLICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION



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INSTRUCTIONS

Before Grand Valley State University can process your application for admission, you must demonstrate your proficiency in English and provide proof of financial support as well as official academic transcripts. Below are instructions that will help you complete your application.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Proof of proficiency in the English language is required. Students from an English proficiency exam waiver country (listed below) do not need to take an exam for admission, but all other students must take one of the approved English proficiency exams.

All test scores must be sent from the testing service. We are not able to accept unofficial test scores.

- TOEFL: 80
- IELTS: 6.5
- Duolingo: 105
- PTE: 53
- ELS Level 112
- Advance Placement (AP): 3 or above in English
- SAT 510 or above in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing
- ACT 18 or above in English
- International Baccalaureate (IB): 5 or above on Higher Level exam in English A or English B

English proficiency exam waiver countries:

Antigua & Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Botswana, Canada, Dominica, Fiji, Gambia, Ghana, Grand Cayman Islands, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, North Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, New Zealand, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, St. Christopher-Nevis, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & Grenadines, Swaziland, Tanzania, Trinidad & Tobago, Uganda, United Kingdom, Virgin Islands, Zambia, Zimbabwe

EDUCATIONAL RECORDS

List all secondary schools, colleges, and universities that you have attended. Arrange for each of these institutions to send an official transcript to the Admissions and Recruitment Office at Grand Valley State University. All academic documents must be in English, or be accompanied by an official translation, and must bear the official seal of the institution. If you are transferring to finish an undergraduate degree and are hoping to receive transfer credit for courses already taken, you also must send course syllabi or descriptions and a grade key translated into English.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The U.S. Customs Service and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services require international students applying for non-immigrant visas (F-1) to certify that they have sufficient financial resources. Financial support must be demonstrated for at least one academic year – as indicated on the Statement of Financial Support on page 5 of this application.

There are scholarships available to qualified undergraduate students and limited graduate assistantships may be available to qualified international graduate students studying in certain master's-level programs. The Form I-20 (Visa Eligibility Form) will not be issued until your verification of financial support is received and you have been admitted. This verification also will be needed when applying for a student visa and at the port of entry. When requesting the statement, you should ask for at least two copies of the original document.

ACCOMPANYING YOUR APPLICATION

Before you mail this application, complete all the sections, sign it, and enclose all of the items listed below. Your application will not be considered until all items have been submitted.

- Completed and signed GVSU Application for International Admission.
- Official transcripts of all coursework, with English translations (if needed)
- Official English proficiency exam (if required)
- Personal Statement: Students must write a one- to two-page essay about their reasons for wanting to attend Grand Valley.

You can find additional requirements for graduate programs here: gvsu.edu/gradapplicationreq

Mail completed and printed application along with documentation noted above to:

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UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE PROGRAMS

UNDERGRADUATE

Accounting, B.B.A., Minor
Adventure Tourism Management, Minor
Advertising and Public Relations, B.A., B.S., Minor
Africana Studies, Minor
Aging and Adult Life, Minor
Allied Health Sciences, B.S.
Anthropology, B.A., B.S., Minor
Applied Communication, Minor
Applied Food and Nutrition, B.S.
Applied Linguistics, Minor
Applied Statistics, Minor
Aquatic Sciences, Minor
Arabic, Minor
Archaeology, Minor
Art - Studio Art, B.A., B.F.A., B.S., Minor
Art Education, B.A., B.S.
Art History, B.A., Minor
Behavioral Neuroscience, B.A., B.S.
Biochemistry, B.S.
Biology, B.A., B.S.
Biology - Secondary Education Minor
Biomedical Engineering, B.S.E., Minor
Biomedical Sciences, B.S.
Business Economics, B.B.A.
Business, General, B.B.A., Minor
Cannabis Operations Management, Minor
Cardiovascular Sonography, B.S.
Cell and Molecular Biology, B.S., Minor
Chemistry, B.S.
Chemistry - Secondary Education, Minor
Chinese Language, Minor
Classics, B.A., Minor
Communication and Public Advocacy, Minor
Communication Sciences and Disorders, B.S.
Communication Studies, B.A., B.S.
Computer Engineering, B.S.E., Minor
Computer Science, B.S., Minor
Criminal Justice, B.A., B.S., Minor
Cybersecurity, B.S., Minor
Dance, B.A., B.S., Minor
Data Science, Minor
Diagnostic Medical Sonography, B.S.
Digital Studies, Minor
Early Childhood Education, Minor
Earth Science, B.S.
Earth Science - Secondary Education, Minor
East Asian Studies, Minor
Economics, B.A., B.S., Minor
Education for Young Children, Birth to Kindergarten, General and Special Education, B.A., B.S.
Education - Teacher Certification
Electrical Engineering, B.S.E.
Engineering Science, Minor
English, B.A., Minor
English - Secondary Education, Minor
Environmental and Sustainability Studies, B.A., B.S., Minor
Environmental Science, Minor
Ethics, Culture, and Society, Minor
Event Sustainability Management, Minor
Exercise Science, B.S.
Film and Video, B.A., B.S.
Finance, B.B.A.
Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, B.S.
French, B.A., Minor
French PK-12 Teaching, Minor
Geography, B.A., B.S.
Geography - Teaching, Minor
Geology, B.S., Minor
Geology - Chemistry, B.S.
Geospatial Technology, Minor
German, B.A., Minor
German PK-12 Teaching, Minor
Global Studies and Social Impact, B.A., B.S.
Health and Physical Education, B.S.
Health Care Ethics, Minor
Health Care Information Systems, Minor
Health Communication, B.A., B.S.
Health Information Management, B.S.
History, B.A., B.S., Minor
History - Secondary Education, Minor
History of Science, Minor
Hospitality and Tourism Management, B.S., Minor
Human Resource Management, B.B.A.
Human Rights, Minor
Information Security Systems, Minor

Information Systems, B.S., Minor
Information Technology, B.S., Minor
Integrative Studies, B.A., B.S.
Interdisciplinary Engineering, B.S.E.
International Business, Minor
International Relations, B.A., Minor
Journalism, Broadcasting, and Digital Media, B.A., B.S.
Juvenile Justice, Minor
Latin American and Latino/a Studies, Minor
Leadership and Business Fundamentals, B.A.S.
Legal Studies, B.A., B.S., Minor
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Studies, Minor
Management, B.B.A., Minor
Management Information Systems emphasis
Management, General, B.B.A.
Marketing, B.B.A., Minor
Mathematics, B.A., B.S., Minor
Mathematics - Secondary Education, Minor
Mathematical Statistics, Minor
Mechanical Engineering, B.S.E.
Medical Laboratory Science, B.S.
Microbiology, B.S.
Middle East Studies, Minor
Movement Science, Minor
Music, B.A., B.M., Minor
Music Education, B.M.E.
Natural Resources and Environmental Management, B.S., Minor
Nonprofit Administration, Minor
Nursing, B.S.N.
Occupational Safety and Health Management, B.S., Minor
Operations Management, B.B.A.
Pedagogical Content Knowledge for Elementary Teaching, B.A., B.S.
Performing Arts Industry, B.S.
Philosophy, B.A., Minor
Photography, B.A., B.S., Minor
Physics, B.S., Minor
Physics - Secondary Education, Minor
Political Science, B.A., B.S., Minor
Political Science - Teaching, Minor
Preprofessional Studies
Pre dental Studies
Prehealth Studies
Prelaw Studies
Premedical Studies
Prepharmacy Studies
Preveterinary Medicine
Product Design and Manufacturing Engineering, B.S.E.
Professional Innovation, B.A.S.
Psychology, B.A., B.S., Minor
Psychology - Teaching, Minor
Public Administration, Minor
Public and Nonprofit Administration, B.A., B.S.
Radiation Therapy, B.S.
Recreational Therapy, B.S.
Religious Studies, Minor
Respiratory Care, B.S.
Science - Secondary Education, B.S.
Social Studies (Group), B.A., B.S.
Social Work, B.S.W.
Sociology, B.A., B.S., Minor
Spanish, B.A., Minor
Spanish PK-12 Teaching, Minor
Sport Management, B.S.
Statistics, B.A., B.S.
STEM Ethics, Minor
Supply Chain Management, B.B.A.
Sustainable Urban and Regional Planning, Minor
Technology Project Management, B.A.S.
Theatre, B.A., B.S., Minor
Wildlife Biology, B.S.
Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, B.A., B.S., Minor
Web Design and Development, B.A.S.
Writing, B.A., B.S., Minor

GRADUATE

Accounting, M.S.A.
Applied Computer Science, M.S.
Applied Statistics, M.S.
Athletic Training, M.A.T.

Audiology, Au.D.
Biology, M.S.
Biomedical Sciences, M.H.S.
Biostatistics, M.S.
Business Administration, M.B.A.
Cell and Molecular Biology, M.S.
Clinical Dietetics, M.S.
Communications, M.S.
Criminal Justice, M.S.
Cybersecurity, M.S.
Data Science and Analytics, M.S.
Education, Educational Leadership, M.Ed.
Education, Higher Education, M.Ed.
Education, Instruction and Curriculum, M.Ed.
Education, Learning, Design, and Technology, M.Ed.
Education, Literacy Studies, M.Ed.
Education, School Counseling, M.Ed.
Education, Special Education, M.Ed.
Educational Specialist in Leadership, Ed.S.
Engineering, M.S.E.
Biomedical Engineering
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Manufacturing Operations
Mechanical Engineering
Product Design and Manufacturing Engineering
Health Administration, M.H.A.
Health Informatics and Bioinformatics, M.S.
Medical Dosimetry, M.S.
Nursing, M.S.N., D.N.P.
Occupational Therapy, M.S., Dr.O.T.
Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership, M.P.N.L.
Physical Therapy, D.P.T.
Physician Assistant Studies, M.P.A.S.
Public Administration, M.P.A.
Public Health, M.P.H.
Recreational Therapy, M.S.
School Psychology, M.S. & Psy.S.
Social Innovation, M.A.
Social Work, M.S.W.
Speech-Language Pathology, M.S.
Taxation, M.S.T.
Water Resource Policy, M.S.

COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAMS

Accounting B.B.A. and M.S.A.
Advertising and Public Relations B.A., B.S., and Communications M.S.
Allied Health Sciences B.S. and Athletic Training M.A.T.
Allied Health Sciences B.S. and Public Health M.P.H.
Applied Food and Nutrition B.S. and Clinical Dietetics M.S.
Biomedical Sciences B.S. and M.S.
Cell and Molecular Biology B.S. and M.S.
Communication Studies B.A., B.S., and Communications M.S.
Computer Engineering B.S.E. and Applied Computer Science M.S.
Computer Science B.S. and Applied Computer Science M.S.
Computer Science B.S. and Cybersecurity M.S.
Computer Science B.S. and Data Science and Analytics M.S.
Cybersecurity B.S. and M.S.
Engineering B.S.E. and M.S.E.
Exercise Science B.S. and Athletic Training M.A.T.
Exercise Science B.S. and Public Health M.P.H.
Health Communication B.A., B.S., and Communications M.S.
Information Systems B.S. and Applied Computer Science M.S.
Information Systems B.S. and Cybersecurity M.S.
Information Technology B.S. and Applied Computer Science M.S.
Information Technology B.S. and Cybersecurity M.S.
Journalism, Broadcasting, and Digital Media, B.A., B.S., and Communications M.S.
Occupational Therapy M.S. and Dr.O.T.
Public and Nonprofit Administration BA., B.S., and Public Administration M.P.A.
Recreational Therapy B.S. and M.S.
Statistics B.S. and Applied Statistics M.S.
Statistics B.S. and Biostatistics M.S.
Statistics B.S. and Data Science and Analytics M.S.
Student-initiated Combined Degree

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Questions with an asterisk (*) are optional. See student signature/certification under Applicant Verification on page four of this application.

PERSONAL DATA (Please type or print in blue or black ink)

Name: _____
First (Given Name) Middle or Maiden Last (Family or Surname)

Permanent Address: _____
Number Street Town/City

Province/State Country Postal Code

Current Address (if applicable): _____
Number Street Town/City

Province/State Country Postal Code

Home Phone Number: _____ Mobile Phone Number: _____

Would you like to receive text messages from GVSU? Yes No

Email Address: _____ Parent Email Address: _____

Country of Birth: _____

Country of Permanent Residence: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____

*Sex: Female Male Unspecified Date of Birth: ____/____/____
Month Day Year

Name and permanent address of:

Both Parents Mother Father Guardian Husband Wife Other (Specify)

First Name(s) Last Name(s)

Street Address City State Zip

(____) _____
Area Code Phone Email address

Have either of your parents graduated from a four-year college? Both Father Mother Neither

Is English your native language? Yes No

*Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino? Yes No

*Please select one or more of the following racial categories to describe yourself:

American Indian or Alaska Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White

IMMIGRATION STATUS

Please indicate your nonimmigrant status (i.e. F-1, J-1): _____

PROGRAM, ACADEMIC LEVEL, AND SEMESTER PREFERENCE

Please indicate the semester in which you wish to begin study:

Fall Semester (Apply by May 1) 20____ **Winter Semester** (Apply by October 15) 20____

Please indicate the academic level that you are applying for:

_____ **Bachelor's** (first university degree after secondary school)

_____ **Master's** (advanced university degree)

_____ **Doctorate** (advanced university degree)

Interest Area (See page 2 for list of programs and emphasis areas): _____

TESTING INFORMATION

I have taken or will take IELTS, TOEFL, PTE, SAT, ACT, AP, IB on _____ / _____
Month Year

RECORD OF EDUCATION

List, in chronological order, all secondary schools, colleges, universities, and professional/technical schools attended. Attach another sheet, if necessary.

Name of School	City, Country	Dates of Attendance	Degree/Diploma Earned
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Secondary School

College, University, Other

Following the completion of my senior year, I will have met all of the following core requirements:

- Four years of English
- Three years of science
- Three years of college preparatory mathematics
- Three years of social sciences
- Two years of a single foreign language

Yes No

Are you currently attending a college or university? Yes No

If yes, which college or university? _____ Location: _____
City Country

If you are currently enrolled in a college or university, indicate the course(s) that you are taking.

Name of Institution	Degree Program	Course Title and Number	Credit Hours
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APPLICANT VERIFICATION

You are not required to give your sex, or racial/ethnic group. This information is used for compiling institutional data. It is not a factor in admission decisions. Your signature is required before GVSU can process this application.

I certify that all the answers I have given on this application are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that withholding information that is requested on this application will make me ineligible for admission to GVSU or subject to dismissal. I also understand that the university reserves the right to rescind or suspend an admission decision for any reason and at any time it deems this action is warranted.

Applicant's Signature

Date

RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT



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U.S. visa regulations require all F-1 visa holders to provide certified evidence of adequate funds to meet tuition, living expenses, and health insurance for one academic year. Grand Valley State University can only issue an I-20 document once an acceptable Financial Verification Form and supporting financial documents have been received, reviewed, and approved.

The following documents can be used to demonstrate financial support:

1. Must be an official financial document, in English, indicating the minimum amount of support with signature and stamp of bank official.
2. Must be less than three months old.
3. Must have at least three months of transaction history.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Intended Semester of Enrollment: Fall 20____ or Winter 20____

If dependents will be joining you, please list the legal name, country of citizenship, birthdate, and relationship to you:

Name (given name, family name)	Country of Citizenship	Birthdate (month/day/year)	Relationship
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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TO BE COMPLETED BY SPONSOR

Are you a self-supporting student? Yes No (If yes, do not complete this section)

Do not complete this section if you are receiving a **full** graduate assistantship, **full** academic scholarship, or **full** athletic scholarship.

Sponsor's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____

Applicant's Name: _____ Relationship: _____

This is to certify that I have read the information furnished by the applicant on the form and as the financial sponsor for the applicant, I promise to provide support for education and living expenses during the applicant's period of study at Grand Valley.

Sponsor's Signature

Date

FINANCIAL SUPPORT DOCUMENTS INFORMATION



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In order to meet federal requirements to receive an I-20, all international students must have the financial ability to cover academic and living expenses for one academic year while attending Grand Valley. The following documents can be used to demonstrate financial support.

Acceptable Financial Documents

- Bank statements indicating required currency amount in liquid asset form (cash deposits, certificates of deposit, savings accounts, term deposits, and checking accounts are acceptable)
- Investment statements indicating liquid assets (submissions need to include clear evidence of the fund's liquidity and the cash surrender value)
- Graduate assistantship award letter
- GVSU department assistantship or scholarship letter
- Governmental funding (funding letter must have contact information of the organization providing funding)
- External scholarship letters

Unacceptable Financial Documents

- Chartered accountant statements
- Payroll reports/expected income
- Tax statements
- Property assessments
- Statements regarding property, jewelry, cars, and other non-liquid assets
- Bank statements lacking currency amounts
- Insurance policies
- Other statements of non-liquid assets
- Business bank accounts
- Employment letters
- Income verification letters
- Bank letters

Financial Document Requirements

- All financial documents must have at least three months of transaction history or proof that the account has been active for more than three months.
- All certificate of deposit and term deposit statements must include the maturity date.
- All financial documents must be in English. Documents not in English must be accompanied by an official English translation.
- All financial documents must be printed on official bank letterhead and must be signed by the appropriate bank official.
- Only original financial documents or scanned documents in a pdf format will be accepted. Documents scanned with smartphone apps or photos of documents will not be accepted.
- Financial documents from business accounts will not be accepted.
- We will not accept screenshots, internet banking printouts, or financial documents with no identifying bank or account holder information.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT 2024-2025 COST INFORMATION



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The U.S. Customs Service and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services require Grand Valley State University to obtain verification of financial support for at least one academic year. The following expenses are estimates only and are subject to change by the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees.

Summer expenses are not included in this total. You should anticipate \$4,000 in additional support for summer expenses. This should cover tuition, fees, and living expenses.

These amounts are considered to be **minimum** expenses for a full course of study and living expenses for two semesters. Grand Valley does not require students to purchase books from the university, but all students should have enough funding to cover all their academic costs. Students should have a minimum of \$1,500 for books. Students will need at least \$5,000 support for each dependent.

ESTIMATED FEES FOR AN ACADEMIC YEAR (TWO SEMESTERS)

Tuition and Fees	Undergraduate	Graduate
Tuition and Required Fees	\$21,788 ₂	\$14,778 ₁
Estimated Living Expenses		
Room and Board (on-campus)	\$11,550	\$10,944
Health Insurance	\$1,900	\$1,900
TOTAL	\$35,238	\$27,622

¹ Some Grand Valley State University colleges, schools, and departments carry an additional tuition charge per credit hour for some courses.

² Depending on your program, the actual tuition may differ from this estimate. This estimate is based on taking 12 to 15 credits for undergraduate students and nine credits for graduate students. This is a typical number of credits for undergraduate and graduate students. However, some programs may require a higher number of credits per semester.

APPLICANTS USING INSTITUTIONAL OR GOVERNMENTAL SUPPORT

If your program of study will be financially supported by an institution, foundation, or government agency, your financial sponsor must submit a letter of support on official letterhead. This letter must

- specify the expenses to be paid on your behalf;
- name Grand Valley State University; and
- indicate that the institution or agency has adequate resources to guarantee at least your first year of study.

APPLICANTS USING PERSONAL OR PRIVATE SUPPORT

If you plan to pay for your education with private funds, you or your financial sponsor must complete the *Statement of Financial Support* on page 5 of this application. In addition, you must submit the required financial documents in order to receive your I-20.

Grand Valley State University is committed to assisting all members of our community in providing for their own safety and security. The Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is available on the Grand Valley State University Police Department website at gvsu.edu/dps. If you would like to receive a printed copy of the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report, you can stop by the Facilities Service Building or you can request a copy be mailed to you by calling (616) 331-3255. The report contains information regarding campus security and personal safety including topics such as: crime prevention, fire safety, university police law enforcement authority, crime reporting policies, disciplinary procedures, and other matters of importance related to security and safety on campus. The report also contains information about crime data for three previous calendar years. Statistics include reported crimes that occurred on the campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by GVSU, and on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. This information is required by law and is provided by the Grand Valley State University Police Department.

Grand Valley State University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution. It encourages diversity and provides equal opportunity in education, employment, all of its programs, and the use of its facilities. It is committed to protecting the constitutional and statutory civil rights of persons connected with the university. Grand Valley is required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 to ensure that none of its education programs and activities discriminate on the basis of sex/gender. Inquiries regarding the application of Title IX may be referred to the Title IX coordinator, 4015 Zumberge Hall, titleix@gvsu.edu, (616) 331-9530.